

## A B S T R A C T

A method of operating a computer system is described. The computer system comprises at least one application client (15), at least two application servers (20, 21) which are suitable to process requests of the application client (15), and a database (26) which may be accessed by the two application servers (20, 21). The method comprises the steps of recognising that the first one of the two application servers (21) fails to access the database (26), sending a request of the application client (15) for the first application server (21) from the first application server (21) to the second application server (20), processing the request by the second application server (20), and sending a response to the request from the second application server (20) to the first application server (21).

(Figure 2)